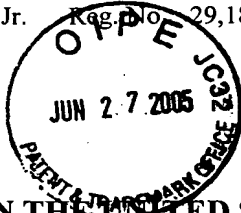


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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

This amendment is being filed in a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R §1.114 in the above-identified patent application. Reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, as amended by the present amendment, is respectfully requested.

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2004, the Advisory Action mailed January 19, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed May 12, 2005.

An Information Disclosure Statement accompanies this Request For Continued Examination (RCE).